Remarks

While the notation "(Cancelled)" appeared at the beginning of the "Amended Claims" section of the Applicant's Amendment In Response to Paper No. 5, the numbers of the claims affected were inadvertently omitted (as is clear from the second sentence on page 7 of the Amendment). That oversight is hereby corrected.

In addition, it has been noted that, to be formally correct, the word "vinyl" should have appeared, with strikethrough, after "vinyl or" in the fourth line from the bottom of Claim 9 (Currently Amended), and in the second line of Claim 13 (currently Amended) the article "a" should not have been underlined. Those oversights have also been corrected herewith.

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